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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Appl. No.** : 09/496,844

**Applicant** : Patrick KNEBEL

**Filed** : February 2, 2000

**Title** : METHOD AND COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR DECOMPOSING  
MACROINSTRUCTIONS INTO MICROINSTRUCTIONS AND  
EXECUTING THE MICROINSTRUCTIONS SIMULTANEOUSLY

**TC/A.U.** : 2183

**Examiner** : Huisman, David J.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Sir:

In response to the August 15, 2003 Final Office Action and the October 3, 2003 in-person interview with the Examiner (the "interview"), Applicant hereby requests continuing examination of the referenced application and encloses the requisite filing fee. In accordance with the RCE, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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